

DCMA-OC

MEMORANDUM OF RECORD

SUBJECT: Staff Meeting Minutes for April 18, 2000

**LOGISTICS FOUNDATION STEERING GROUP MEETING.** On March 27, 2000, DCMA-OC attended the first Logistics Foundation Steering Group meeting held at the pentagon. The purpose of the Logistics Foundation Steering Group is strengthen/modernizing the foundation for logistics systems and is chaired by the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology & Logistics). The Steering group will meet monthly to ensure collaboration among the key component and OSD stake holders in meeting the 4 objectives outlined in the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology & Logistics) March 1, 2000 Memorandum. The objectives of the memorandum are also part of the Acquisition Life cycle Integrated Digital Environment (IDE) Initiative.

**OSD(AT&L) SA/PM MEETING.** The DCMA Focal Point for Earned Value Management (EVM) met with OSD representatives. The meeting focused on a strategy for improving Earned Value not only throughout the Agency, but also with the Services, Industry, and Internationally. This is being achieved by: 1) Evaluating the Service's use of EVM. 2) Evaluating the current level of EVM expertise in the Department and determine if it is adequate today and into the future to meet the demand for EVM services. 3) Reviewing the Integrated Baseline Review process to determine whether it is meeting the stated goals and purposes. 4) Reviewing the functions and structure of the Performance Management Advisory Council.

**SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT VISION WORKING GROUP MEETING.** The Supply Chain Management Vision Working Group held its third meeting on March 29, 2000. Group members include Defense Contract Management Agency, Defense Logistics Support Command, Defense Contract Audit Agency, Inspector General, Military Services, Industry Associations, and industry. The group has drafted a report titled Supplier Partnership in 2010: A DoD/Industry Vision. The report describes the form supply chain management might take in the next decade, the benefits and challenges that face industry, and what DoD must do to benefit from the changes. The Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics) will review the draft report in April 2000. This activity was formerly reported under "Supplier Guidebook."

**DCMA DIRECTOR PARTICIPATION IN AEROSPACE INDUSTRIES ASSOCIATION (AIA) TECHNICAL OPERATIONS COUNCIL MEETING.** The DCMA Director participated in the Aerospace Industries Association (AIA) Technical Operations Council Meeting on April 04, 2000 in Arlington, VA. Meeting attendees were Aerospace Company Vice Presidents of Research, Technology, Engineering and Operations functions. The group's primary focus and interest was DCMC's "Critical Shift": Quality and Engineering. The presentation included specific

discussion on DCMA's risk-based approach on Major Programs, Spare Contracts, End to End Contributors to Product Quality, and Space Broad Area Review (Engineering Findings and Recommendation).

**DCMA MEETS WITH US ARMY MATERIEL COMMAND – ASSIST WITH REDUCTION OF DELINQUENT BACKORDERS AND ASSOCIATED METRICS.** DCMA Schedule and Delivery Management Work Group met with AMC to identify ways to assist with their challenge to reduce Backorders, and specifically, delinquent Backorders. A desk side demonstration was conducted of the DCMA metrics and reporting methods for On Time Delivery and also for Customer Priority Requests. Several opportunities were identified, such as use of common metrics, use of the Alerts Phase II tool suite to manage the Customer Priority Requests, and AMC participation on DCMA 2<sup>nd</sup> Phase of the Schedule & Delivery Mgt End 2 End team, April 25- May 5, 00.

**MISSION ASSURANCE REVIEW, 23-24 MARCH 2000.** DCMA attended the Mission Assurance Review at Los Angeles Air Force Base, which looked at the results of review panels that investigated last year's space launch failures. In addition to the various panel outbriefs: History, Procurement, Manufacturing/Quality, Launch, there were briefings on current mission assurance efforts. These briefings concentrated on ongoing operations and improvement efforts to address past launch problems. The briefings were given by Boeing, Lockheed Martin, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and the Aerospace Corporation.

**LEAN AEROSPACE INITIATIVE PLENARY SESSION, 29-31 MARCH 2000.** DCMA attended the Lean Aerospace Initiative (LAI) Plenary Session in Cambridge, Massachusetts. LAI is a consortium with government, industry, academia, and union representation that does research into how to make defense systems "leaner", that is better, faster, cheaper. There were a number of research presentations, concentrating on defining and improving the "value stream" in design, manufacturing, software, requirements generation, and space systems testing. The information obtained will be posted in the LAI Home Page for use by field activities.

**OO-ALC & DCMA NONCONFORMING PARTS AND MATERIAL.** On 12 April 2000, DCMA and the Ogden Air Logistics Center signed a joint charter to form an Integrated Product Team to examine the quality of contractor supplied spare and repair parts. The Integrated Product Team (IPT) task includes reviewing the entire procurement process and identifying those actions that contributed to the unacceptable level of nonconforming parts. The IPT has met twice to develop team charter and methodology to define process and products to be evaluated.

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